

PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL COURTS (IRELAND).

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons,
dated 15 June 1880;—for,

RETURN "of Non-contentious Business transacted in the PROBATE and MATRIMONIAL DIVISION of the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE (IRELAND) in relation to the Application for GRANTS of PROBATE and ADMINISTRATIONS, and the Periods of Sealing such GRANTS from the 1st day of January 1879 to the 1st day of May 1880, with Particulars of the Hours during which the Non-contentious Offices of the Division are open in Sittings and Vacation; and the Number of Days from the 1st day of January 1879 to the 1st day of May 1880, on which the Non-contentious Offices of the Division were open for 'Vacation Hours' only, such Return to be according to the Form annexed:—

Number of Notices of Applications for Grants lodged from the 1st day of January 1879 to the 1st day of April 1880.*	Number of Grants sealed within Seven Days from Date of Application.	Number of Grants sealed over seven and not exceeding Fourteen Days from Date of Application.	Number of Grants sealed over fourteen and not exceeding Twenty-one Days from Date of Application.	Number of Grants sealed upwards of Twenty-one Days after Date of Application.	Number of Grants uncompleted on the 1st day of May 1880.	TOTAL†

" Hours during which the Non-contentious Offices of the Division are open, viz., during Sittings from a.m. to a.m. and during Vacation from p.m. to p.m.

" Number of Days from the 1st day of January 1879 to the 1st day of May 1880 on which the Offices of the Division were open for 'Vacation Hours' only.

" * The above Totals must agree."

THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, IRELAND.

PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL DIVISION.—PRINCIPAL REGISTRY.

Number of Notices of Applications for Grants lodged from the 1st day of January 1879 to the 1st day of April 1880 (a)	2,621
Number of Grants sealed within seven days from date of application (b)	402
Number of Grants sealed over seven and not exceeding 14 days from date of application	719
Number of Grants sealed over 14 and not exceeding 21 days from date of application	875
Number of Grants sealed upwards of 21 days from date of application	638
Number of Grants uncompleted on the 1st day of May 1880	55
Total	2,621

(a) These are applications acted on or in force. The actual number, including those not acted on, expired, and those where more applications than one have been made in the same case, was 2,719.

(b) No record is kept in the Registry of the day of sealing. The time to which the returns are here made is the day of signing, which is usually also the day of sealing.

Hours during which the Non-contentious Offices of the Division are open, viz., during Sittings from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., during the Short Vacations from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., during the Long Vacation from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

On Mondays, during the Long Vacation, the offices do not open until noon.

On Saturdays, the offices close at 2 p.m., except during the Long Vacation, when they close at 1 p.m. During the vacations the offices are expected to remain after hours when it is necessary to prevent an error of business.

NUMBER of Days from the 1st day of January 1879 to the 1st day of May 1880, on which the Offices of the Division were open for "Vacation Hours" only.

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Grants are sometimes delayed in consequence of questions of title, in consequence of the necessity for an order of the Court, in consequence of the interruption by contentious business. Excluding these causes of delay, grants are almost always signed within 14 days after the proper papers have been lodged by the practitioner.

6 July 1880.

H. M. Pilkington, Chief Registrar.

FINGERS AND MATTRESSING
COUNTS (TABLES)

RETURN of Descriptive Results transmitted
to the Fingers and Mattressing Division of
the Home Office of Justice (Fingering), in
relation to the Application for Orders of Pen-
sion and Allowances, and the Fingers of
Fingering and Mattressing from 1 January 1920 to
1 May 1920, etc.

(M. Fingers)

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